FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MUR No.: 7006

In the matter of:

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Andrew Heaney 2 Bontecou Rd. Millbrook, NY 12545

Heaney for Congress and Patrick Gosselin, Treasurer 154 Church St. Millbrook, NY 12545

Heaney Energy Corp. 7 Stage Stop Way Bangall, NY 12506

Little Deep, LLC 2608 Route 44 Millbrook, NY 12545

Submarine Rock, LLC 2608 Route 44 Millbrook, NY 12545

New York Jobs Council and Elizabeth B. White, Treasurer 601 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20004

COMPLAINT

1. Campaign for Accountability ("CfA") brings this complaint before the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") seeking an immediate investigation and enforcement action against Andrew Heaney, Heaney for Congress, Patrick Gosselin, Heaney Energy Corp., Little Deep, LLC, Submarine Rock, LLC, New York Jobs Council and Elizabeth B. White for direct and serious violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act ("FECA") and Commission regulations.

Complainants

- 2. Complainant CfA is a § 501(c)(3) project dedicated to ensuring accountability in public officials and compliance with federal laws. Toward that end, CfA seeks to protect and advance the right of citizens to be informed about the activities of government officials and to ensure the integrity of government officials and the government decision-making process by exposing unethical and illegal conduct of those involved in government. CfA uses research, litigation, and communications to advance its mission.
- 3. In furtherance of its mission, CfA also monitors the campaign finance activities of those who finance federal elections and publicizes information regarding those who violate federal campaign finance laws. In order to assess whether an individual or entity is complying with federal campaign finance law, CfA needs the information contained in disclosure reports political committees must file pursuant to the FECA, 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a), (b); 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.1, 104.3. CfA is hindered in its programmatic activity when an individual or entity fails to disclose campaign finance information in reports required by the FECA.
- 4. CfA relies on the FEC's proper administration of the FECA's reporting requirements because the FECA-mandated disclosure reports are the only source of information CfA can use to determine if an individual or entity is complying with the FECA. The proper administration of the FECA's reporting requirements includes mandating that all disclosure reports required by the FECA are properly and timely filed with the FEC. CfA is hindered in its programmatic activity when the FEC fails to properly administer the FECA's reporting requirements.
- Complainant Anne Weismann is the executive director of Campaign for
 Accountability, a citizen of the United States, and a registered voter and resident of the state of

Maryland. As a registered voter, Ms. Weismann is entitled to receive information contained in disclosure reports required by the FECA, 2 U.S.C. § 434; 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.1, 104.3. Ms. Weismann is harmed when an individual, candidate, political committee, or other entity fails to report campaign finance activity as required by the FECA. See FEC v. Akins, 524 U.S. 11, 19 (1998), quoting Buckley v. Valeo, 424 U.S. 1, 66-67 (1976) (political committees must disclose contributors and disbursements to help voters understand who provides which candidates with financial support). Ms. Weismann is further harmed when the FEC fails to properly administer the FECA's reporting requirements, limiting her ability to review campaign finance information.

Respondents.

6. Andrew Heaney is a candidate for Congress running in the 19th congressional district of the State of New York; Heaney for Congress is his principal campaign committee; Patrick Gosselin is the treasurer of Heaney for Congress; Heaney Energy Corp., Little Deep, LLC, and Submarine Rock, LLC are established, owned, or controlled by candidate Andrew Heaney (collectively, the "Andrew Heaney Companies"); New York Jobs Council ("NY Jobs Council") is a super PAC supporting Andrew Heaney's campaign for Congress, and Elizabeth B. White is the treasurer of NY Jobs Council.

Factual Allegations

7. According to government filings, Andrew Heaney is the owner and chief executive officer of Heaney Energy Corporation, a New York fuel oil dealer, and the owner and

Heaney Energy Corp. Entity Information, New York State Department of State, as of Sept. 15, 2015 (listing "Andrew Heaney" as "Chief Executive Officer") (attached as Exhibit A); see also Obama for America, <u>FEC Form 3P; 2007: Year-End Report. Amended</u>, August 29, 2008 (listing \$2,300 contribution from "Andrew Heaney" identifying "employer" as "Heaney Energy Corp" and "occupation" as "owner") (attached as Exhibit B); "Terms & (continued...)

founder of Submarine Rock, LLC, a propane company.² On August 5, 2015, Andrew Heaney filed a Statement of Candidacy with the Commission stating that he was seeking the Republican nomination for Congress in New York's 19th Congressional District.³ Only weeks before, at a time when Mr. Heaney had presumably already decided he would run for Congress, Mr. Heaney, as the apparent principal owner of these corporate entities, almost certainly directed his companies to funnel at least \$20,000 dollars to a recently-created Washington, D.C.-based independent expenditure-only political committee called NY Jobs Council. Specifically:

- On June 17, 2015, Submarine Rock, LLC contributed \$5,000 to NY Jobs Council.⁴
- On June 23, 2015, Heaney Energy Corp. contributed \$10,000 to NY Jobs Council.
- On June 23, 2015, Little Deep LLC, which shares an address with Submarine Rock
 and appears to be an affiliate of Heaney Energy Corp., contributed \$5,000 to NY Jobs
 Council.⁶
- 8. In addition to these contributions, on June 25, 2015, Skaggs-Walsh, Inc., a company led by Mr. Heaney's sister, Allison Heaney, made two contributions to NY Jobs

Conditions," www.propane.pro (as of Sept. 16, 2015) (stating that Submarine Rock does business as "Propane.pro") (attached as Exhibit C); <u>Propane.pro Calls for Creation of National Strategic Propane Reserve</u>, <u>Propane.pro</u>, January 27, 2014 (identifying Andrew Heaney as the company's "founder") (attached as Exhibit D).

² NY Republican Federal Campaign Committee <u>FEC Form 3X, 2015 July Monthly Report. Amended</u>, December 15, 2015 (listing contribution from "Andrew Heaney" and identifying "Submarine Rock" as "employer" and "owner" as "occupation") (attached as Exhibit E).

³ Andrew Heaney, FEC Form 2, Statement of Organization, August 5, 2015 (attached as Exhibit F).

⁴ New York Jobs Council, <u>FEC Form 3X, 2015 Mid-Year Report</u>. July 31, 2015 available at http://docquery.fee.gov/pdf/702/201601299004899702/201601299004899702.pdf.

⁶ Id; Largest U.S. Gonsumer Energy Buying Group Expanding to Electric, Gas Brokering, April 25, 2012 Energy Choice Matters. com (describing Little Deep, LLC as "affiliate" of Heaney Energy Corp) (attached as Exhibit G).

Council totaling \$35,000. In total, at least \$55,000 of the \$60,000 reportedly received by NY Jobs Council in its first month of existence, were made by the Andrew Heaney Companies or companies controlled by his family, with at least \$20,000 coming from companies apparently controlled by Mr. Heaney personally.

- 9. In the ensuing months, NY Jobs Council used those funds to attack Mr. Heaney's Republican primary opponent John Faso. NY Jobs Council, for example, has produced and posted 83 tweets under the twitter handle @JobsCouncil, 21 of which have attacked John Faso. Many of those tweets have expressly called for Mr. Faso's defeat, using the twitter hashtags "#saynotofaso" and "#notofaso".8
- At the same time NY Jobs Council was expressly advocating for Mr. Faso's 10. defeat, the Heaney campaign was working with the same two vendors who had consulted for the super PAC and, presumably, were continuing to do so. The campaign, for example, reported paying the Jackson-Alvarez Group \$3,000 on August 14, 2015 and an additional \$10,000 on November 4, 2015 for "research." According to NY Jobs Council's FEC report, the Jackson-Alvarez Group also provided "research consulting" services to the super PAC. 10
- 11. James "Jake" Menges and Rob Cole are two New York Republican political operatives. The two men appear to have at least two businesses together: In the Field, LLC, and

New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015; Mid-Year Report; July 31, 2015; Skaggs-Walsh, Inc. Entity Information, New York State Department of State, as of Sept. 15, 2015 (attached as Exhibit H).

⁸ See http://twitter:com/jobscouncil (attached as Exhibit I).

⁹ Heaney for Congress FEC Form 3, 2015 October Quarterly Report, October 15, 2015 available at http://docquery.fec.gov/pdf/299/201510159002924299/201510159002924299.pdf; Heaney for Congress, FEC Form 3, 2015 Year-End Report, January 31, 2016 available at

http://docquery.fec.gov/pdf/021/201601319004963021/201601319004963021.pdf. 10 New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015 Mid-Year Report, July 31, 2015.

Crimson Public Affairs, LLC. 11 Simultaneously, Mr. Cole also serves as the executive director of NY Jobs Council.¹² The Heaney campaign reported paying Mr. Menges a \$5,000 "consulting fee" on August 28, 2015. 13 It also paid Crimson Public Affairs \$31,016.50 over the course of 2015, largely for "legal" and "consulting" fees. 14 New York Jobs Council paid In the Field \$18,000 for "communications consulting services" in the first half of 2015, and an additional \$46,230,50 for "general campaign consulting" in the second half of the year. 15

In his role as executive director of the super PAC, Mr. Cole disingenuously (to 12. say the least) claimed in October that NY Jobs Council hadn't decided which candidate to back in the 19th District, but said "We know Mr. Faso is not going to be our chosen candidate." This is unsurprising given that Mr. Cole and Mr. Menges' firm apparently established NY Jobs Council using corporate money from Andrew Heaney and his family, and eight out of the ten individual donors to the super PAC are associated with the Heaney campaign. 18

COUNT I

13. The FECA provides that "a candidate ... or an entity directly or indirectly established, financed, maintained or controlled by or acting on behalf of [a] candidate[] ... shall

¹¹ Ben Smith, A merger in Giuliani, Pataki-land, Politico, May 18, 2011 ("Rob Cole and Jake Menges ... are joining up to form a new venture, In The Field Consulting") (attached as Exhibit I); Florida Department of State, Division of Gorporations, Detail by Entity Name, last visited on Pebruary 1, 2016 (attached as Exhibit K).

The Fray: GOP Scramble for Congressional Seat Heats Up, Times Herald-Record, October 17, 2015 (attached as

Exhibit L).

¹³ Heaney for Congress, <u>FEC Form 3. 2015 October Quarterly Report</u>, October 15, 2015.

¹⁴ Id.; Heaney for Congress, FEC Form 3, 2015 Year-End Report, January 31, 2016.

¹⁵ New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015 Mid-Year Report, July 31, 2015; New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015 Year-End Report, January 29, 2016 available at http://docquery.fcc.gov/pdf/702/201601299004899702/201601299004899702.pdf

¹⁷ Times Herald-Record, Oct. 17, 2015.

¹⁸ Heaney for Congress, FEC Form 3, 2015 October Quarterly Report, October 15, 2015; Heaney for Congress, FEC Porm 3, 2015 Year-End Report, January 31, 2016; New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015 Year-End Report, January 29, 2016.

not [] solicit, receive, direct, transfer, or spend funds in connection with an election for Federal office, including funds for any Federal election activity, unless the funds are subject to the limitations, prohibitions, and reporting requirements" of FECA. 52 U.S.C. § 30125(e)(1). FEC regulations repeat this prohibition, making it illegal for "federal candidates" and "entities that are directly or indirectly established, financed, maintained, or controlled by, or acting on behalf of" federal candidates to "solicit, receive, direct, transfer, spend, or disburse funds in connection with an election for Federal office ... unless the amounts consist of Federal funds that are subject to the limitations, prohibitions, and reporting requirements of the Act." 11 C.F.R. §§ 300.60, 61.

- 14. Here, Andrew Heaney, a candidate for federal office, almost certainly "directed" three companies he owns or controls to make contributions totaling \$20,000 to the super PAC attacking his opponent. Because those funds came from at least one corporate entity (Heaney Energy Corporation) and exceeded \$5,000, Mr. Heaney's apparent decision to direct or solicit his companies to make these contributions violated the Act. See FEC Adv. Op'n 2011-12 (Majority PAC) (soft money ban applies to corporate contributions and contributions in excess of \$5,000).
- on certain candidate-affiliated entities "transferring" and "spending" corporate funds and funds in excess of \$5,000 to super PACs. As noted above, these restrictions apply not just to the candidate himself but also to any "entity directly or indirectly established, financed, maintained or controlled by or acting on behalf of [a] candidate[]." Because Mr. Heaney appears to be the owner and Chief Executive Officer of the Heaney Energy Corp., the Heaney Energy Corp. is an entity financed, maintained, and controlled by a candidate. Similarly, because Andrew Heaney appears to be the owner and founder of Submarine Rock, LLC, that company is also "established, financed, maintained, or controlled" by a candidate. The same is likely true for

Little Deep, LLC, which shares an address with Submarine Rock, and is reportedly an "affiliate" of Heaney Energy Corp.

- 16. There is also reason to believe that NY Jobs Council violated the "soft money" ban by "receiving" these contributions. Because at least \$55,000 of the initial \$60,000 of the super PAC's reported receipts was contributed by companies related to Mr. Heaney or a family member, NY Jobs Council is likely a super PAC "financed" by a candidate, Mr. Heaney. See 11 C.F.R. § 300.(c)(vii) (in determining whether an entity is "financed" by a candidate, the Commission looks at whether the candidate "directly or through its agent, causes or arranges for funds in a significant amount or on an ongoing basis to be provided to the entity"). Moreover, the fiming of the creation of NY Jobs Council only weeks before Mr. Heaney filed his Statement of Candidacy with the Commission suggests he may have played a role in "establishing" the super PAC.
- Heaney was not a "candidate" at the time NY Jobs Council was established and received these contributions. Although the super PAC was created and received its funding from the Heaney Companies several weeks before Mr. Heaney filed a Statement of Candidacy with the FEC in early August 2015, the filing of a Statement of Candidacy is not determinative of when an individual becomes a "candidate." Under FEC regulations, a "candidate" includes an individual who seeks nomination for election for federal office and consents to another person receiving contributions or making expenditures on behalf of the individual in excess of \$5,000. 11 C.F.R. § 100.3(a)(2). Accordingly, by directing and consenting to the Andrew Heaney Companies' expenditures in excess of \$5,000 to a super PAC that would attack his opponent, Mr. Heaney became a "candidate." If he consented to NY Jobs Council's receipt of the contributions, he

would have become a "candidate" for that reason, too. Put another way, Mr. Heaney's decision to direct the transfer of tens of thousands of dollars of corporate funds to a super PAC that would assist his candidacy evidences his status as a "candidate" at the time of the transfer. See 11 C.F.R. § 100.72 (an individual becomes a "candidate" if the individual raises "funds in excess of what could reasonably be expected to be used for exploratory activities or undertakes activities designed to amass campaign funds that would be spent after he or she becomes a candidate"). Thus, in June 2015, Mr. Heaney would have been a "candidate" and his activities and those of entities he established, financed, maintained, or controlled would have been subject to the "soft money" bans in the Act.

2015, the "soft money" ban would still make the contributions from the Heaney Companies unlawful. FEC advisory opinions, for example, have concluded that an entity is "established" by a federal candidate even if the person created the entity before becoming a candidate. See FEC Adv. Op'n 2007-1 (McCaskill) (a state campaign committee was "directly established, financed, maintained, and controlled" by a candidate even though it was established years before the person became a federal candidate); FEC Adv. Op'n 2009-6 (Risch) (same). To prevent circumvention of the soft money ban, the Act also imposes a two-year time-out for entities created by a candidate before the entity can raise and spend money. 11 C.F.R. § 300.2(c)(4)(ii). These advisory opinions and regulations make clear that a super PAC established by a future candidate cannot avoid application of the soft money ban merely by claiming that it was established shortly before, rather than after, the individual filed a Statement of Candidacy.

COUNT II

- 19. At the end of the June 2015, NY Jobs Council had approximately \$34,410 in cash-on-hand available to pay for mailers, digital advertising, social media advertising, and television and radio advertising, among other things. At the end of the year, the figure was \$72,287.52. Presumably, NY Jobs Council will use at least some of these funds, together with other funds that it raises, for communications. There is a strong likelihood, however, that by paying for these mailers and advertisements, the super PAC will have made, and the Heaney campaign will have received, excessive and illegal in-kind contributions. Because there is reason to believe that these violations have already occurred or are "about to occur," federal regulations require the Commission to open an investigation. See 11 C.F.R. § 111.4(a) ("any person who believes that a violation of any statute or regulation over which the Commission has jurisdiction has occurred or is about to occur may file a complaint"); id. § 111.10(a) ("an investigation shall be conducted in any case in which the Commission finds reason to believe that a violation of statute or regulation over which the Commission has jurisdiction has occurred or is about to occur") (emphases added).
- 20. The Act limits the amounts that any person may contribute to a Federal candidate. 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a)(1)(A). For the 2015-2016 election cycle, the making and receipt of contributions in excess of \$2,700 per election is prohibited. *Id.* FECA treats coordinated expenditures by any federal PAC (including a super PAC) as in-kind contributions to the candidate with whom they were coordinated. *See id.* § 30116(a)(7)(B)(i) ("expenditures made by any person in cooperation, consultation, or concert, with, or at the request or suggestion of, a candidate, his authorized political committees, or their agents, shall be considered to be a

¹⁹ New York Jobs Council, FEC Form 3X, 2015 Mid-Year Report, July 31, 2015.

contribution to such candidate"). To the extent those in-kind contributions exceed \$2,700 per election, or involve corporate funds, they are prohibited.

- 21. Pursuant to FEC regulations, a communication is coordinated with a campaign—and therefore amounts to a potentially unlawful in-kind contribution—if the communication (i) is paid for by a person other than the candidate, authorized committee, or political party committee; (2) satisfies at least one of the FEC's "content standards"; and (3) satisfies at least one of the FEC's "conduct standards." 11 C.F.R. § 109.21(a), (b). The first two prongs of this test are met when a super PAC pays for a public communication that expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly-identified candidate or references a candidate for House 90 days or fewer before the primary or general election. *Id.* § 109.21(c)(3), (4)(i).
- 22. The "conduct standards" can be met in one of several ways, one of which involves the retention of a "common vendor" by the campaign and the super PAC. Under the FEC's "common vendor" test, three conditions must be satisfied. First, the super PAC must contract with a commercial vendor to create, produce, or distribute a communication. Second, the commercial vendor, "including any owner, officer, or employee of the commercial vendor" must have provided certain services to the candidate during the previous 120 days, including development of media strategy, developing the content of a public communication, producing a public communication, or "consulting or otherwise providing political or media advice." 11 C.F.R. § 109.21(d)(iii) (emphasis added). Third, the vendor must "use" or "convey" to the super PAC material non-public (i) "information about the campaign plans, projects, activities, or needs of the" candidate or (ii) "information used previously by the commercial vendor in providing services" to the candidate.

- 23. In this case, when NY Jobs Council begins to pay for public communications expressly advocating the defeat of Mr. Heaney's opponent in the New York Republican Primary for the 19th Congressional District—as is likely —those communications will likely be prohibited "coordinated communications" under the Commission's "common vendor" regulations. Each of the three elements of the common vendor test likely will be satisfied with respect to the Jackson-Alvarez Group and In the Field LLC, the only two vendors reportedly retained by the Super PAC.
- 24. The Jackson-Alvarez Group was paid by NY Jobs Council for "research consulting" services. Presumably, those services will inform the content, production, and distribution of public communications made by the super PAC. At the same time, NY Jobs Council relied on the consulting services of the Jackson-Alvarez Group, so did Mr. Heaney's campaign committee. In providing its consulting services to NY Jobs Council, it strains credulity to believe the Jackson-Alvarez Group would not "use" or "convey" to the super PAC information about the Heaney campaign's "plans, projects, activities, or needs" or information that it used previously when providing services to the Heaney campaign. Accordingly, any future public communications by NY Jobs Council in connection with the Republican primary in New York's 19th Congressional District likely will involve prohibited in-kind contributions from the super PAC to the campaign.
- 25. NY Jobs Council's retention of In the Field results in the same conclusion. In the Field, LLC has remained on the super PAC's payroll, and paid for "general campaign consulting," likely related to advertisements and other public communications. These activities, however, presumably are informed by the "consulting" services provided to the Heaney campaign by Jake Menges and Rob Coles, partners in Crimson Public Affairs, which has been

paid by the Heaney campaign for consulting services. These facts create a strong inference that Mr. Menges and Mr. Cole will "use" or "convey" or have used and conveyed to the super PAC – run by Mr. Cole – information about the Heaney campaign's "plans, projects, activities, or needs" or information that they used previously when providing services to the Heaney campaign. The notion that somehow Mssrs. Menges and Cole, apparent partners in the same consulting businesses, are not sharing confidential information about campaign strategies, needs, plans, projects, or activities with each other defies logic and common sense and represents a shocking and blatant disregard of campaign finance rules.

- 26. In light of the retention of common vendors, future public communications in the New York 19th District Congressional primary likely will result in prohibited in-kind contributions from the corporate-funded super PAC to the Heaney campaign. Because such a violation is "about to occur," the FEC should immediately open an investigation.
- 27. Finally, even if NY Jobs Council makes no further expenditures, the super PAC's activities may have already amounted to an in-kind contribution to the Heaney campaign. As described above, NY Jobs Council has drafted and posted many tweets that have expressly called for the defeat of Mr. Heaney's opponent. If the super PAC paid Jackson-Alvarez Group or In the Field to help create the content for, produce, or disseminate those tweets, those payments would be prohibited in-kind contributions to the campaign. Regardless of whether those expenditures satisfy the *regulatory* definition of a "coordinated communication," they would satisfy the *statutory* definition of a "contribution" because they would have been made with the "cooperation, consultation, or concert" of the Heaney campaign and its agents, Jake Menges, Rob Cole, and/or the Jackson-Alvarez Group.

Conclusion

WHEREFORE, Campaign for Accountability and Anne Weisman request that the FEC investigate whether respondents have violated the FECA and Commission regulations by directing, soliciting, transferring, spending, and receiving funds in excess of the source and amount limitations, and whether NY Jobs Council is unlawfully coordinating with the Heaney campaign and its agents, declare the respondents to have violated the FECA and applicable FEC regulations, impose sanctions to these violations and take such further action as may be appropriate.

ON BEHALF OF COMPLAINANTS

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Campaign for Accountability
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(202) 780-5750 (phone)

Verification

Campaign for Accountability and Anne Weismann hereby verify that the statements made in the attached Complaint are, upon information and belief, true.

Sworn pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Anne Weismann

District of Columbia: 55

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 2nd day of February, 2016.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

January 14,2021



EXHIBIT A

NYS Department of State

Division of Corporations

Entity Information

The information contained in this database is current through September 17, 2015.

Selected Entity Name: HEANEY ENERGY CORP.

Selected Entity Status Information

Current Entity Name: HEANEY ENERGY CORP.

DOS ID #:

1825538

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Initial DOS Filing Date: JUNE 01, 1994

County:

NEW YORK

Jurisdiction:

NEW YORK

Entity Type:

DOMESTIC BUSINESS CORPORATION

Current Entity Status: ACTIVE

Selected Entity Address Information

DOS Process (Address to which DOS will mail process if accepted on behalf of the entity)

HEANEY ENERGY CORP.

154 CHURCH STREET

MILLBROOK, NEW YORK, 12545

Chief Executive Officer

ANDREW HEANEY 154 CHURCH STREET

MILLBROOK, NEW YORK, 12545

Principal Executive Office

HEANEY ENERGY CORP.

154 CHURCH STREET

MILLBROOK, NEW YORK, 12545

Registered Agent

NONE

This office does not record information regarding the names and addresses of officers, shareholders or directors of nonprofessional corporations except the chief executive officer, if provided, which would be listed above. Professional corporations must include the name(s) and address(es) of the initial officers, directors, and shareholders in the initial certificate of incorporation, however this information is not recorded and only available by viewing the certificate.

*Stock Information

of Shares Type of Stock \$ Value per Share

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*Stock information is applicable to domestic business corporations.

Name History

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AUG 02, 2005 Actual

HEANEY ENERGY CORP.

JUN 01, 1994 Actual

H.E.A.T. NEW YORK, INC.

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Propane.pro Calls for Creation of National Strategic Propane Reserve by <u>Propane.pro</u>

As the nation's largest online propane marketplace, Propane.pro, has seen first hand the personal and economic damage wrought by the recent propane shortage. The company's founder, Andrew Heaney, is calling on the Federal Government to fund the creation of a Strategic Propane Reserve to ensure a dangerous shortage never happens again.

"In 2000, the Northeast US experienced a similar shortage of heating oil due to extreme temperatures and frozen waterways that prevented the delivery of product to the region," Heaney remarked today, "the Clinton administration and Congress responded with the creation of a Strategic Heating Oil Reserve that continues to provide consumers with reliable supply to this day," he continued, "propane consumers demand and deserve the same level of safety that a Strategic Propane Reserve would provide." Propane is a flexible fuel that consumers and businesses use for everything from space heating to griffing and cooking. Roughly 8,000,000 US households rely on it for home heating making the recent combination of frigid weather and a supply disruption a potential public health emergency. In addition, with wholesale prices surging in the Midwest and elsewhere, propane delivery companies and consumers are being hammered with outrageous costs for their fuel. "A Strategic Propane Reserve would not only protect health and property, but would be a boon to the economy long term by providing more stable fuel prices for consumers and businesses," Heaney says.

Heaney also points out that the United States exported a record amount of propane this year as producers sought higher prices for their product abroad. 'The tragedy of this situation is the United States has never produced as much propane as it does now with all the natural gas exploration that we have in the US," Heaney remarked, "this didn't need to happen, and it should never be allowed to happen again."

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Largest U.S. Consumer Energy Buying Group Expanding to Electric, Gas Brokering

April 25, 2012

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An allitiate of Heaney Energy Corp. (Heat USA), which describes itself as the largest consumer energy buying consonium in the United States; is entering the retail electricity and natural gas brokering business.

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Heat USA currently serves 80,000 members in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island, providing referrals to healing oil and propone suppliers

Heat USA in particular offers affinity programs for various unions, and Little Deep LLC said that it, "plans to use its relationships with unions and other consumer groups to provide referrals to discounted energy supplier."

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Selected Entity Name: SKAGGS-WALSH INC.

Selected Entity Status Information

Current Entity Name: SKAGGS-WALSH INC.

DOS ID #: 4

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Initial DOS Filing Date: AUGUST 10, 1935

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NEW YORK

Entity Type:

DOMESTIC BUSINESS CORPORATION

Current Entity Status: ACTIVE

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SKAGGS-WALSH INC.

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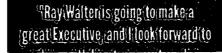
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Ray Walter

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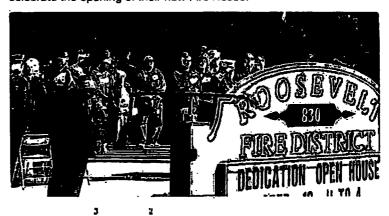
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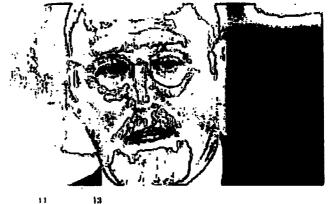
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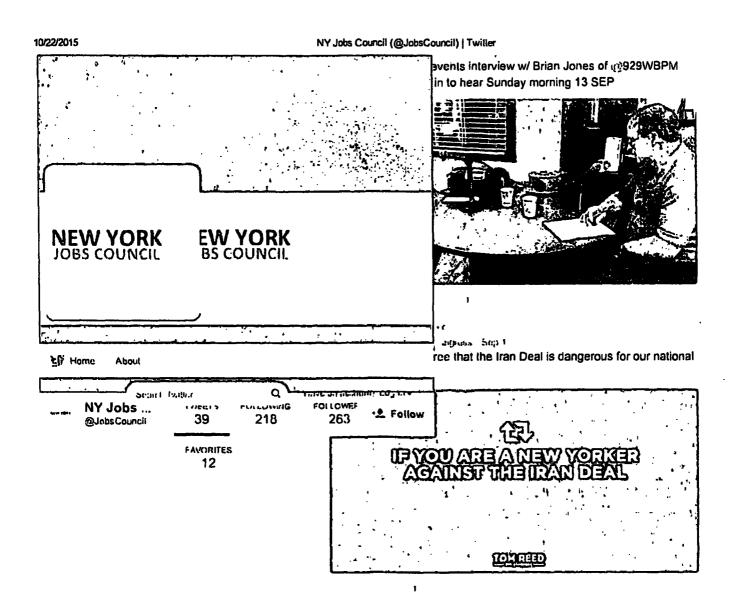
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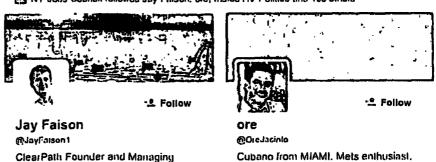


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A merger in Giuliani, Pataki-land

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Maggie Haberman reports:

Rob Cole and Jake Menges, alumni of George Pataki's world and Rudy Giuliani's world, respectively, are joining up to form a new venture, In The Field Consulting.

They both come from a blue state where their bosses were among the few Republicans to win New York City and New York State in the last 30 years. Pataki won his last race by 18 points and Giuliani won by 15 points, margins that the NY GOP has been losing by in its latest statewide races.

Cole also worked on the Scott Brown race when he was with the Shawmut Group, and Menges was involved in steering Rep. Michael Grimm to victory in Staten Island last year. Cole was a political director/Advisor to Mitt Romney's Free and Strong PAC. 2008 to January 2011, though it's unclear whether he will continue with Romney or work for another campaign this cycle (like a Giuliani or a Pataki, both of whom still flirt with running). Menges was the City Council liaison for Mayor Giuliani and worked on his 2008 presidential run.

Giuliani: "Jake and Rob are two of the brightest stars out of today's GOP consultants. I can't think of anyone I would rather have advising me in a tough race."

Pataki: "Rob and Jake have experience skillfully guiding winning candidates in some of the toughest political environments in America. I am sure they will make a terrific and successful team."

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The Fray: GOP scramble for congressional seat heats up

The fight for New York's 19th Congressional District is already getting ugly.

The campaign for GOP contender John Faso says a "serious legal explanation" is needed from fellow Republican contender Andrew Heancy after accusing him of engaging in "underhanded politics" stemming from a super PAC.

Heanty and Faso are both competing to take over the district from Rep. Chris Gibson, a retired Army colonel who says he won't run again next year as he considers whether to run for statewide office in 2018.

Faso's campaign, in a press release, questioned Heaney's connection to a Washington D.C.-based super PAC, called "New York Jobs Council." According to a mid-year report filed with the Federal Election Commission documents, the super PAC has received \$60,000 this year. Super PACS are allowed to spend unlimited amounts of money but they're not allowed to communicate or coordinate with specific candidates.

But Faso's campaign says the super PAC is completely funded by Heaney's family. FEC filings that were examined by the Record show that Heaney Energy Comp., Heaney's company, gave the super PAC \$10,000 in June. Skaggs Walsh, Castocore Henney's father's heating oil company, gave \$35,000. Submarine Rock LLC, a company Heaney has used to contribute money to political campaigns in the past, gave over \$5,000.



"Mr. Heaney seems to be engaged in a type of underhanded politics that even New Yorkers would find eye-opening," said Bill O'Reilly, a Faso spokesman. "Forget ethics; how this is even close to legal is anybody's guess. Maybe Mr. Heaney can explain."

David Catalfamo, Heaney's spokesman, said his boss hasn't done anything wrong, "Andrew has obviously contributed to the super PAC before he was a candidate," he said. "He's not involved in running the PAC in any way, shape or form."

Catalfamo also took a shot at Faso, saying he's a lobbyist who has run several PACs himself. "He knows the roles, and it's just sad that he has gone so negative in a campaign that has just started," he said.

Rob Cole, executive director of the New York Jobs Council, also denied any wrongdoing. Cole criticized Faso several times, calling him a lobbyist and pointing to a \$550,000 fine that was given to Faso's law firm, Manatt Phelps & Phillips, in 2010 after a settlement with the state Attorney General's office over a pay-toplay probe. Faso was a lobbyist and partner at the firm but never admitted wrongdoing.

"We've done everything by the law," Cole said. "There is no guid pro guo."

Cole said his super PAC is aimed at electing a "common-sense Republican candidate" in the 19th Congressional District, and though he's met and spoke to Heaney before, be said be hadn't spoken to him "in a long time," He said they haven't chosen who they'll support in the district yet, but have already know who they don't support.

"We know Mr. Faso is not going to be our chosen candidate," Cole said.

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Two Republicans start runs for Maloney's sent

A former Orange County legislator and a former Poughkeepsie school board president each have registered as Republican candidates for the congressional seat held by Democratic Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney for the 2016 election.

Tuxedo resident and former county lawmaker Dan Castricone filed his statements of candidacy and organization on Tuesday. Castricone, who served a single Legislature term from 2010 to 2014, ran unsuccessfully for state Assembly last year but was supported by the United Monroe citizens group and won nearly 9,100 votes on its third-ballot ballot line alone. Karl Brahence, the Republican who beat Castricone in a GOP primary for that seat, won a three-way race against Castricone and Democrat Elisa Tutini in the general election.

Sakima Brown, who led the Poughkeepsic school board form 2010 to 2013 and lost a race for a different Assembly seat - Frank Skartados' - last year, registered as a candidate for New York's 18th Congressional District on Sept. 23 and already filed her first campaign finance report, showing \$1,079.52 in her coffers.

Maloney, a Cold Spring Democrat, is serving his second term in Congress after unscating former Republican Rep. Nan Hayworth in 2012 and defeating her again in a 2014 rematch. His campaign reported Thursday that it had raised \$428,000 in the third quarter of 2015 and had \$1.2 million on band as of Sept. 30.

Hayworth recently ruled out a third race against Maloney in 2016.

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